CONGRESS LEADERS SUPPORT JOHNSON

But Senators Ellender and Morse Dissent on Troops

WASHINGTON, May 3 (UPI) - Democratic and Republican leaders in Congress today supported President Johnson's actions in the Dominican Republic but some questioned whether the United States had gone too far.

"Have we lost our minds ... Have we become militarily power-drunk?" Senator Wayne Morse asked in a speech on the floor. Senator Morse, a Democrat of Oregon, said he was "greatly disturbed" by charges that the United States had exceeded its treaty responsibilities and asked the Senate to look into the matter.

Senator Morse said that he would reserve judgment until after a State Department briefing.

"We are going to be charged with putting down a revolt against a tyrrannical military junta. We should have never recognized," Senator Morse, who is chairman of the Latin-American subcommittee, said.

O.A.S. Action Urged

Senator Allen J. Ellender, Democrat of Louisiana, called for more action by the Organization of American States.

"Anywhere, anything happens in the world over, we seem to be the ones who do the job," he said.

He questioned why the Communist take-over charged by the President was not detected before it was.

But most other legislators praised the President for ordering American troops into the Dominican Republic.

The House Republican leader, Gerald R. Ford, of Michigan, said President Johnson should go even further and crack down on Cuba. He spoke at a union building trades conference.

The Republican whip in the Senate, Thomas H. Guichet of California, told the same conference that the President "deserves the thanks of the nation."

The Republican House leader, Leslie Arends of Illinois, told the House that members of his party "wholeheartedly supported" the President's actions.

Democrats Praise Move

Praise came also from the House Democratic leader, Carl Albert of Oklahoma, and his assistant, Hale Boggs of Louisiana.

The Democratic leader, Senator Mike Mansfield of Montana, told the Senate he was sure President wanted to withdraw United States forces as soon as a responsible government took over in Santo Domingo.

"It is my hope that the prompt action taken by President Johnson will help to hasten the day when order is restored," he said, "when free elections will be held, which I would hope would be within the period of 30 to 90 days."

The Senate Democratic whip, Russell B. Long of Louisiana, said that if the United States had put 15,000 marines ashore in Cuba when the Communists started taking over "Castro wouldn't be holding Cuba today."

... America wouldn't have a Communist dagger at its throat."